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CHINESE FIGHT BATTLE UNDER PEKIN WALLS

Two Armies of 50,000 Each in
All Day Conflict; Martial
Law in Capital.

Peking, April 30.—Martial law was declared in Peking today.

The armies of General Chang Tso-Lin and General Wu Pei Fu, fought continuously throughout Sunday. The fighting centered around Changsintien, twelve miles distant. A government communique says Chang Tso-Lin was victorious in the fighting at Machang.

The American legation has requested Washington to send another warship to Tientsin.

Peking, April 30.—President Hsu Shih Chang, in consequence of the hostilities, today issued three proclamations calling attention to the serious consequences to China which might result from the jeopardizing of foreign interests.

The first proclamation said the Chinese people were terrified, that merchants were suffering losses and the industry of the nation was demoralized.

Therefore, it was demanded that Chang Tso-Lin and Wu Pei Fu immediately withdraw their armies.

Fighting is Sporadic
The second proclamation declared that as Peking was the capital of the nation peace and order must prevail. The gendarmes under the direction of the chief metropolitan area must take adequate measures.

Emphasis was laid in the third proclamation on the necessity to protect the lives and property of foreigners and for compliance with treaties with the powers. It was added that the Chinese railroad administration had sent a protest to the Government asserting that the railroads of the country face bankruptcy in consequence of the suspension of traffic, and that this pact involves foreign obligation.

The fighting Sunday was sporadic throughout the war area. There were no signal gains by either side. The most persistent conflict appeared to be centered around Changsintien, southwest of the Peking wall, where Wu Pei Fu is concentrating for a drive in an attempt to turn Chang Tso-Lin's western front toward Tientsin.

Each Has 50,000 Men

Chang Tso-Lin's forces occupy the village of Changsintien, where 100 wounded have been taken into the houses of natives. Some of the wounded in the fighting have been brought to hospitals in Peking. The dead were left on the battlefield. Reliable details as to the casualties are not obtainable because the Chinese are keeping no record of them.

The military situation Sunday as gathered from legation attaches here was as follows: Changtso-Lin and Wu Pei Fu each has 50,000 men under fire or in position. Wu Pei Fu is bringing up reinforcements from the Yang-Tse Provinces. Chang Tso-Lin is sending forces from Mukden which soon will increase the total effectives to more than 100,000 on each side.

Chang Tso-Lin controls the railroad running from Mukden through Tientsin to Peking, but is holding reserves to protect his rear, fearing an attempt by the Chinese navy to destroy the railroad north of the great wall. His line extends south to Machang.

Wu Pei Fu appears to be master of the Peking-Hankow railroad to Changsintien. Midway between the railroads flows the Hun River. Chang Tso-Lin has thrown troops and artillery across to the western bank of the river, with the purpose of driving Wu Pei Fu southward and surrounding Wu Pei Fu's headquarters at Paoingfu.

Greater Conflicts Coming

Wu Pei Fu is pushing his front eastward, apparently with the intention of forcing Chang Tso-Lin to retreat over the river, which is filled with marshes and quicksand. Altogether the view is that the fighting thus far is of a preliminary character, and that greater conflicts will come when the full strength of the opposing armies is attained.

The diplomatic body in Peking met today at the residence of the Portuguese Minister to discuss precautionary measures. It was decided at the meeting to await replies to the notes the diplomatic corps hand-

ed the Chinese Foreign Office last week, which warned the Government against fighting in Peking.

The commanders of the allied troops at Tientsin report they are ready to seize the Peking-Tientsin Railroad if traffic is interrupted. The American legation has suggested to the Washington Government that an additional gunboat be sent to Tientsin. The French cruiser Craonne has arrived at Tientsin.

The residents of Peking feel safe, notwithstanding the booming of cannon heard from the direction of Changsintien. The gates of the city here are heavily guarded. They are being kept open, but it is expected they will be closed in the event of any indication of a rush toward Peking by defeated troops.

Foreign Flags Fly

The foreign legations, foreign business houses and institutions like the American Board of Missions, the Rockefeller Institute and the American Mission are flying the flags of their respective nations conspicuously.

U. S. JUDGES ARE WANTED IN STATE

Washington, Apr. 31.—Kentucky would have three Federal court districts instead of two under the provisions of a bill which is being prepared for introduction in the House next week by Representative John W. Langley, of Kentucky.

It is important that another district be created immediately in Kentucky, Mr. Langley said in order to facilitate the handling of increased litigation, due largely to violations of the Eighteenth amendment. Mr. Langley said relief is needed in both districts, particularly in the Eastern District, which includes courts at Lexington, Frankfort, Richmond, London, Jackson, Covington and Catlettsburg.

The proposed measure would divide the State into Central, Eastern and Western Districts, taking a part of each of the present districts for the new one. Additional courtrooms would be established at Pikeville and Somerset and at a town in the western section of the State which has not yet been named.

MASONIC WIDOWS' AND ORPHANS' HOME APPROVED

Louisville, April 27.—Inspection of the tract on the Shelbyville pike recently purchased by the board of directors of the Masonic Widows and Orphans' Home for the new plant of the home was made today by the committee in charge of the campaign to raise the funds.

Members of the committee expressed approval of the selection made by the board.

In order to complete the projected buildings and to furnish them adequately, it was said that approximately \$1,500,000 will be necessary.

The committee which inspected the site consisted of G. Allison Holland, of Lexington, chairman; Geo. C. Atkinson, of Hopkinsville, H. N. Grundy, of Springfield, William Ward Duffield, of Harlan.

BLIND GIRL CAN DISTINGUISH COLORS

Chicago, April 27.—Members of the Chicago Medical society were marveling today over accomplishments exhibited here last night by Willetta Huggins, 17 years old, who though blind and deaf can distinguish colors with great rapidity, read newspaper headlines, talk over the telephone, enjoy music and carry on a conversation.

She demonstrates that she could hear a lecture or an orchestra concert by holding a sheet of paper in the air and she can hear over the telephone by putting her fingers over the receiver. By fingering newspaper headlines she is able to read and tells the denomination of a bank note by feeling the numbers.

Willetta is well proportioned and attractive. She has bobbed hair.

NINE PRISONERS PAROLED BECAUSE OF COLD JAIL

Paducah, Ky., April 29.—Jailer Tom King of the city prison has a kind heart.

Today it brought its reward. The jail was cold last night so he paroled nine prisoners who had been pacing their cells to keep warm, to find a place where they could be comfortable. Today all returned. Some are serving fifty days sentences.

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BERLIN TO GET SHIPS AND MEN FROM SOVIETS

Pact Also Gives Russia Poison
Gas; Lloyd George Scents
Danger.

London, April 30.—A dispatch to the London Times from Warsaw, says it is reported that a Russo-German military agreement was signed in Berlin April 3. It provides that the Soviet Government shall give Germany twenty warships and maintain a certain number of troops opposite the Polish frontier.

Germany is to deliver to Russia arms and munitions and equipment and instructors for poison gas warfare and also airplanes and wireless equipment.

Genoa, May 1.—David Lloyd George, British Prime Minister, has drawn an alarmist picture of Europe.

In addressing the British and American press representatives, he declared that the object at Genoa was to clear up political difficulties which were full of menace.

He compared Europe to seething racial lava, which, like the earth's crust, was seeking a proper level. This adjustment was full of peril. He emphasized that Europe must take cognizance of hungry Russia, which would be equipped by an angry Germany.

"The world must recognize the fact," he said, "that Russia and Germany combined contain more than two-thirds of the people of Europe. Their voice will be heard and the Russo-German Treaty is the first warning of it."

Danger Proof Cited

As proof of the danger he cited the fact that there was no frontier line from the Baltic to the Black Sea, including the Rumanian, Galician, Polish and Lithuanian frontiers, which had been accepted.

"I wish America were here," he said. "Some people think we want the United States for some selfish purpose. This is not true. We want America because she exercises a peculiar authority; her very aloofness gives her the right to speak."

"America could exercise an influence no other country could command. She could come here free and disentangled, and with the prestige which comes from her independent position she would come with the voice of peace."

"But America is not here; so Europe must do her best to solve the problems in her own way."

Points to Rising Storms

Mr. Lloyd George gave it as his opinion that the disorganization of Europe would affect the entire world, including the United States. He said he was amazed at people who ignored the portentous fact facing Europe today.

Unless Europe reorganized—in other words, unless the Genoa conference succeeded in arranging a pact of peace—he declared he was confident that in his own life, certainly in the life of the younger men present, Europe again would welter in blood.

"We triumphed in the war," he said, "but our triumph will not last forever. If our victory develops into oppression, vengeance will follow, just as Germany's action which started the World War was followed by vengeance."

"We must be just and equitable and show strength; we must realize that Europe is not on good terms and that storms are rising which we must deal with."

Solution Necessary to Peace

"We had hoped that the end of the great war meant the end of brute force, but unless Europe's problems are solved there is no assurance that force has given way to right."

Mr. Lloyd George solemnly urged the press to instill patience, good will and fellowship throughout the world. "You are here," he concluded, "to instruct, to sustain, to guide, and I beg of you in the interests of the world's future not to add to any obstacles which are in the way but to use your influence to help in the solution of difficulties which are full of menace."

SEATTLE STAR ROBBED OF \$3,500 BY BANDITS

Seattle, Wash., Four men held up the office of the Seattle Star today and escaped with \$4,500 payroll.

MAY TERM OF CIRCUIT COURT BEGAN MONDAY

Civil Business Mainly; Commonwealth vs. Shields Only
Important Prosecution

The regular May term of the Ohio Circuit Court convened Monday morning at 9 o'clock, with Judge George S. Wilson, of Owensboro, presiding. Commonwealth's Attorney Glover H. Cary, of Calhoun, and County Attorney Otto C. Martin, of this city, were present in the interest of the State.

The following named householders reported for service as petit jurors: Messrs. U. S. Condict, D. M. Park, James Cook, J. P. Coleman, J. M. Coppage, Abijah Arnold, George Armstrong, D. M. Jones, C. W. Ranney, S. T. Daniel, J. M. Westerfield, W. L. Hocker, C. R. Keith, F. Bidwell, G. A. Weller, W. M. Fair, J. N. Leach, J. B. Westerfield, Ira Moseley, O. W. Williams, Rodney Reid, G. T. Tucker, and T. E. McQuarry. The last three were excused Tuesday. There will be no grand jury this term.

The prosecution against Floyd Midkiff for seduction was called for trial Monday. After efforts of the defendant to obtain a grossly inadequate pecuniary compromise had elicited the refusal and rebuke of the Court and the State's Attorney, the case was settled by the marriage of defendant and the prosecuting witness.

In the case of the Commonwealth vs. the Beaver Dam Coal Co., defendant filed mandate of the Court of Appeals affirming the judgment of the Ohio Circuit Court. The only other prosecution set for this term is the Com. vs. B. M. Shield, indicted for the murder of Watt Ranney. This case will be called for trial next Monday morning, May 8.

The following are the most important dispositions made of civil business so far:

Sam James vs. J. B. Herndon, dismissed settled; James Early vs. Charlie Davis, dismissed without prejudice, on plaintiff's motion; N. P. Dennis vs. W. H. Maddox, continued; National Union Fire Ins. Co. vs. Cicero Rogers, dismissed without prejudice, on plaintiff's motion; Louisville Grocery Co. vs. Ensley Raymer and T. W. Wallace vs. American Railway Ex. Co. set for the 8th day; A. M. Fox & Co. vs. L. & N. R. Co., D. Kissinger vs. Geo. W. Allen and Fred Rafferty vs. Beaver Dam Coal Co. set for the 9th day; Mary E. DeHart vs. Walter Allen, dismissed for want of jurisdiction, on Court's motion; Brennard Mfg. Co. vs. Ohio County Drug Co., set forward to 9th day; American Co-Op Ass'n vs. E. Mitchell, Ollie Huff, J. G. Withers, John C. Seaton, H. H. Westerfield, W. D. Kirk, J. H. Coppage and W. A. Webster, (8 cases), continued. The suit of Lon Beller vs. P. S. Coleman is set for today.

ERNEST BRYAN MAGAN

Mr. Ernest Bryan Magan died at the home of his father, near Cedar Grove, this county, April 25th., of diabetes, at the age of 25 years, 9 months and 21 days.

He was born July 4th., 1896, the youngest son of G. C. Magan and Augusta E. Magan and after attending the common schools engaged in farming which occupation he followed until his death. July 1, 1916 he was married to Miss Mollie May Bratner and to them was born one son, Ronald, now 4 years of age. Some time last year he completed a nice residence on his farm on Narrows, R. F. D. No. 2 and lived there for a time but becoming ill of diabetes he moved to the home of his father. He had been under treatment for the malady for several months and was seemingly better but became suddenly worse a few days before his death.

Mr. Magan was an industrious and upright citizen and will be greatly missed by a wide circle of friends.

Among surviving relatives are his parents, his wife, little son, Ronald, brothers, Elvis, Clyde and Edgar, of the home community; and Carl, of Idabel, Oklahoma. His only sister, Mrs. Eva Duff, died several years ago.

Funeral services were conducted by Rev. Joseph Acton at New Baymus Christian church, Wednesday, in the presence of a large congregation

of mourning friends. The body was then laid to rest in the cemetery nearby.

In the death of Mr. Magan the county loses one of its best and most promising young citizens. We join the many other friends of the family in extending heartfelt sympathy.

MRS. EMMA PAULINE BARBOUR

Mrs. Emma Pauline Barbour died at the home of her daughter, Mrs. James H. Williams, and Mr. Williams, in Union Street, this city, at 5:30 a. m., Thursday April 27th., of peritonitis. Her age was 83 years. She was born and reared near Columbus, Mississippi, her original name being Moore. In early womanhood she became the wife of Lieut. Colonel Columbus Sykes of the Southern Army. Several years after his death she married Pollock Barbour, a prominent Louisville citizen, who served as State Senator during the late James B. McCreary's first term as governor of Kentucky. Mr. Barbour died several years ago.

Mrs. Barbour was a devout member of the Methodist church and was a refined, Christian woman, loved by all who knew her. Among surviving relatives are two daughter, Mrs. James H. Williams, Hartford, Ky., and Mrs. S. R. Hewitt, Atlanta, Ga.; one son, Mr. George E. Sykes, Atlanta, Ga.; and one brother, Clarence Moore, Blytheville, Ark. One of her brothers died in Cuba while serving as U. S. Consul to that country.

Her son, Mr. Sykes, and daughter, Mrs. Williams, accompanied the remains to her girlhood home in Mississippi, leaving here Saturday. Burial occurred near that place.

To the bereaved family we extend our heartfelt sympathy.

BARCLAY SHOULDERS ELECTED TROCUTED AT WILLIAMS MINES

Barclay Shoulders, aged 34, one of the most experienced and skilled miners of this section, was killed instantly in the mine of the Beaver Dam Coal Co., at Williams' Mines, this county, last Wednesday afternoon at 12:30 o'clock. Mr. Shoulders and his brother-in-law, William Lee Fisher, were operating an electric coal cutting machine at the time of the fatal accident. While moving the machine to a new position in the room where the men were employed the chain used in connection with a jack for the purpose became kinked and both men reached to straighten it out. In some unknown manner the chain had become charged with electricity and both men received the full charge upon contact. Mr. Shoulders who was the weaker physically was killed practically instantly. Mr. Fisher who is very large and muscular was able to withstand the shock until the current was turned off. He was seriously but not fatally injured.

The deceased was a native of the Midway neighborhood between McHenry and Centertown. He is survived by his wife, who was Miss Fanny Fisher, two children aged 3 and 1 1-2 respectively, and two brothers. He was a most expert miner, during the World War having made the highest record for cutting coal of any miner in District No. 23, and was a good citizen.

Burial was at Rander Friday.

SUCCESSFUL SINGING CONVENTION AT NO CREEK

The Northern Division of the Ohio County Singing Convention met at the No Creek Methodist Church last Sunday. There was a large and appreciative assemblage in attendance. A sumptuous repast was served at the noon hour. Six choirs participated and each acquitted itself well. A full account of the Convention by the Secretary, Prof. C. K. Carson, which reached us too late for use this week, will be published in full in our next issue. The next Convention will be held at Liberty Methodist Church on the fifth Sunday in July.

HENRY FORD "INSULTED" BY POLICE CLERK

Detroit, April 27.—Henry Ford was driving a brand new automobile today. This followed the theft last night of his machine while it was parked downtown.

Mr. Ford personally called the police by telephone and notified them of his loss.

"What kind of a car was it?" the police clerk asked.

"Why a Ford, of course," Mr. Ford answered.

TWENTY-EIGHT INJURED WHEN DECK COLLAPSES

Boat Pronounced Too Dangerous
For President Carries 3,000
Civilians.

Cincinnati, April 27.—According to the Cincinnati police tonight twenty-eight persons were injured in the collapse of the deck on the steamer Island Queen while on the voyage to Point Pleasant, Ohio. The most seriously injured, as reported by the police, is Wilbur Morgan, 15 years old, a student of Manchester, whose back probably is broken.

Point Pleasant, O., April 27.—President Warren G. Harding, in his adventuresome thirty-mile voyage up the Ohio River today to participate in the one-hundredth birthday anniversary of Gen. Ulysses S. Grant, narrowly escaped serious disaster when part of the third deck of the steamer Island Queen crashed to the deck below, carrying with it some 300 persons.

Only half a minute's warning by cracking timbers gave to a school children's band and many others on the deck below time to get from under the crashing deck. A check made by the Cincinnati police tonight showed that more than twenty-eight were injured, according to an announcement by the police department.

That Mr. and Mrs. Harding and other distinguished personages in the Presidential party were not aboard the Island Queen was due to advice of Government inspectors late last night. They advised against the President making the trip on the old pleasure boat because of her condition.

Transfer to U. S. Boat

Consequently the President and his party were assigned to the Cayuga, a Government boat, which led the flotilla of seven steamers from Cincinnati bearing 10,000 to 15,000 persons.

The injured are: Wilbur Morgan, Manchester, Ohio, cut about head; Richard Armstrong, Bethel, Ohio, arm broken, and Lieut. Eugene Wetherly, of the Cincinnati Police Department, cut by glass.

They were on the second deck front, immediately under the deck which fell.

The river flotilla was passing New Richmond, Ohio, seven miles below Point Pleasant.

The Cayuga, with the President aboard, leading the procession, had cleared the village. New Richmond citizens, however, did not know of the change in plans which put the President aboard the Cayuga.

All in High Spirits

They began firing rockets as the Island Queen with its 3,000 passengers came abreast. Those on board crowded to the front decks to witness the spectacle ashore. Bands aboard were playing and everybody was in high spirits.

Out of a clear sky there came the crashing and grating of timbers under the feet of 300 on the third deck. They felt the floor sink. They stood silent apparently awestricken for half a minute. Then came a deafening crash. The entire front deck dropped. Still there was no panic.

Those who went down with the deck remembered the Manchester, Ohio, School Boys' band had been playing immediately underneath them. There were fifty-two boys and girls. As the 300 scrambled from the crushed deck, the one question on all lips was "are the band boys all killed?" The question was asked in whispers.

But the half minute's warning saved the boys. At the first crash they began to scurry toward the stern. Some did not make it in time and were caught. The chairs on which they had been seated held the load for a second. That second was long enough, however, to permit them to crawl to safety before the tons of timber and human weight crushed the chairs.

DELIVERY WAGON OF BOOTLEGGERS SEIZED

Lexington, Ky., April 28.—With a seven-gallon receptacle for liquor attached to the rear part of the car, an alleged delivery wagon for bootleggers, containing five gallons of whiskey, was seized Friday and Henry and Meredith Robertson arrested on charges of transporting.